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FRIDAY, MAY 13.

WHAT'S the matter with making the first day of May a national holiday in honor of Dewey's great victory?

So far there has not been much use for nurses and surgeons. It is to be hoped that this state of affairs will continue during the entire progress of the present war.

A CIVIL war in Spain seems the next thing on the tapis. But that is no concern of this country. If, in addition to having a war with the United States, Spain insists on having a row at home, this country cannot help it.

A SHIP canal across the Isthmus of Panama, under American control, would come in mighty handy these days. The lengthy voyage of Uncle Sam's battleship Oregon around Cape Horn is a valuable object lesson in this respect.

BRITISH naval officers are of the opinion that in every naval fight the American fleet will beat the Spanish. They are good judges; they ought to know from experience that the American navy can fight and that successfully.

PRESIDENT Diaz of the United States of Mexico, knows very well what he is about. Mexico is to be strictly neutral and the Mexican-American border will be well policed and looked after and no break of the neutrality laws allowed. General Diaz has a very level head.

A SPANISH fleet is in the West India waters. From all indications it will not remain there very long. It will either be captured or sunk. From a humane and commercial standpoint it is best it should be captured. But either end will be sure to come, just as sure as the day follows the night in the temperate zones.

THERE is no pleasing the Spanish government. The mistletoe and papers over in Spain contain very loudly and bitterly of the injustice and inhumanity shown by this country in the present war. About the only way to sit would be to have the American navy fire soap bubbles at Spanish ships and fortifications, instead of steel shells.

WHILE the Spanish fleet was maneuvering off the island of Martinique, an American fleet bombarded the principal Spanish base of supplies in that section and captured the capital of the rich island of Porto Rico. The "manna" movements of the Spanish squadron may turn out successfully in some as yet unknown direction, but so far it can not be said that the Spanish admiral and his officers and men have distinguished themselves to an alarming extent.

ADMIRAL Sampson, much to his disgust, found no Spanish men-of-war in the harbor of San Juan de Porto Rico, so had to content himself with destroying the Spanish batteries and fortifications there and shelling the town. There being no Spanish ships in the harbor, Dewey's exploit in Manila harbor could not well be repeated, because, after all, it takes two contending factions to make a fight, no matter how one sided.

The Appointments of Commissioned Officers for the New Mexico Volunteers.

Several of our esteemed contemporaries published in different sections of this sunny territory and of all shades of Democratic, Popocratic and Populist opinions, are publishing fake stories concerning the organization and muster in of the four troops of volunteers furnished by this territory as its quota during the present war. It is charged by these papers, that Governor Otero was influenced by personal motives and political considerations in the matter.

These charges are absolutely false and are disproven by the facts, which are simply these:

Of the 14 officers first commissioned by the governor six were National Guard officers and under the law and the instructions of the War department were preferred for selection. These are: Major H. B. Hersey, Captain Frederick Muller, Captain Max Luna, Lieutenants W. E. Griffin, W. H. Kelly, Sherrard Coleman, W. H. H. Llewellyn, Captain George Curry, Lieutenants Arthur J. Weakley, John W. Green, David J. Leahy and G. L. Ballard were selected partly because they had applied and had worked in getting volunteers from their respective sections and partly because they were considered proper men for commissions. Dr. James A. Massie was appointed surgeon because he applied very early for the position, stood the proper examinations and was ready to go at a moment's notice, which was not the case with other physicians who had filed applications for appointments.

Of the political complexion of these officers the following may be said: Republicans: Major Hersey, Captains Llewellyn, Muller, Luna, Lieutenants Griffin, Green, Kelly and Leahy. Democrats: Captain Curry, Lieutenants Coleman and Ballard. Politics unknown: Major Massie, Lieutenants Weakley and Keyes.

The question of politics was never once raised and was never considered in making appointments. The action of Governor Otero was dictated by the best of motives and by what he considered was best for the territory as a whole and for the best interests of the service and of the body of volunteers to be sent to the front under their own officers.

The Democratic-Popocratic party in New Mexico must be in bad shape, when it is deemed necessary by its leaders and papers, that papers advocating that party's principles must resort to falsehoods, misrepresentations and equivocations in matters that are in no way political and which have been conducted with fairness, ability, honesty and patriotism, to bolster up its cause and to seek success by such despicable means.

The Regular Army Bug-a-boo.

Under the army reorganization bill as passed by congress recently, the size of the standing army has been increased to 61,000 men. Now, for a country the size of the United States, that is neither a tremendous nor dangerous number of combatants to keep under arms in time of peace, and yet the class of papers in the cities which caters to the prejudices of the ignorant and poses as the friend of the "down trodden laboring men" pretends to see in that slight increase in the army a menace to republican institutions. One of these so-called liberty bulwarks devotes considerable space to tommy-rot and lamentations over the terrible money power and a larger standing army, and the following sentences are a fair sample of the arguments used by papers of that kind in showing wherein the laboring people will suffer from the new law:

"The social condition of affairs has created fear in the heart of the money power for its possessions. Heretofore it had reliance to some extent in the state militia, but events have shown it that in an emergency the militia could not be induced to fire on the people who stood up for their rights. The money power instinctively knew that its only hold lay in the regular army."

Therefore the standing army has been increased to 61,000 men.

The question naturally arises, if the money power is such a terrible enemy to the public weal, why the laboring men, who are vastly in the majority, do not have congress pass a bill authorizing a regular force of 500,000 men and use it to protect the masses from the encroachments of this terrible bug-a-boo of demagogues and idiots? The fact of the matter is that when mobs gather and destroy property "the people are not standing up for their rights" and property has some rights requiring protection. The only time when the state militia has been called upon in this country to fire upon people, has been when a very small proportion of the people in some city has become lawless, destructive, and regardless of rights entitled to protection, and those occasions have been so rare that they can hardly be remembered by even the persons who participated in them.

That the United States needs a larger regular army than has been maintained in the past is too patent to require any argument. The area of country brought under settlement has increased wonderfully in the past 30 years, cities have sprung up as if by magic, and conditions are changed in every way. Changing conditions require corresponding changes in matters governed by those conditions. About nine out of ten of the cities that have been created since the close of the civil war want military posts, and a larger regular force will go a long way toward satisfying that craving for uniforms and band music. So far as the expense is concerned, the taxpayers will not grumble so long as they can attend guard mount and listen to the sunset gun.

The public panders, disguised as newspapers, that are wasting so much ink over that which amuses and gratifies the vicious elements of the population, are the only part of the people that is borrowing any trouble over a standing force of 61,000 men. The comparison between that number and the balance of a fighting population makes scare-talk ridiculous.

TERRITORIAL TOPICS

SIERRA COUNTY.

The net indebtedness of Sierra county is \$29,636.

The April term of the District court cost the county \$1,800.

Mrs. J. A. Anderson has closed her Hillsboro boarding house.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Nourse and family, of Hermosa, are visiting friends in Hillsboro.

Miss Zella Dine, of Edinburgh, Ind., writes the postmaster of Hillsboro for news of her brother, Willis Dine.

A citizens' meeting was held at Hillsboro Saturday evening for the purpose of effecting a local military organization.

CHAVES COUNTY.

The first crop of alfalfa is being cut. Tax Assessor Park Lea is rounding up recruits.

Wm. Ballard is the new pound keeper at Roswell.

The Roswell Methodist Directory is the name of a new paper.

Rev. Hancock is the new pastor of the Roswell Christian church.

W. R. Hewes has sold his Roswell meat market to Jones Bros.

A new roof is being fitted on the county court house at Roswell.

J. B. Matthews, of Roswell, is in El Paso on stock business.

Mrs. H. B. Keller, of Roswell, is visiting relatives in Mississippi.

Ira O. Wetmore and bride have returned to their Roswell home.

Charles H. Sparks was stricken with paralysis at Roswell last week.

J. J. Hagman is building a fine residence at the Chisum ranch near Roswell.

Dr. Murrell, of Roswell, has gone to Denver, where he will spend the summer.

George A. Montgomery has purchased 40 acres of land of Mrs. C. Doss, at Roswell.

Mrs. Ellen G. Timmony has purchased the stock of the postoffice book store at Roswell.

J. P. Griffin and niece, of McKinney, Tex., healthseekers, will spend the summer in Roswell.

Judge H. B. Hamilton has purchased the Howell property on Kentucky avenue at Roswell.

Dr. W. F. Bayless and wife, of Ranger, Tex., are visiting John B. Gill and family, at Roswell.

Dr. R. E. Farris, of Anna, Ill., has purchased four resident lots at Roswell and will reside there in the future.

W. J. Wilkerson, of Roswell, has gone to Channing, Tex., to superintend the shipment of a herd of L. F. D. cattle north.

County Surveyor Mark Howell is working a survey of the lands through which the Pecos Valley & Northeastern Ry. is to run.

Nathan Jaffa and wife have returned to Roswell from a St. Louis trip. While away Mr. Jaffa purchased the furniture for the Military Institute.

Governor Otero has appointed Mrs. H. B. Kells, of Roswell, delegate to the national conference of charities and corrections which will meet in New York May 18 to 25.

W. R. Cummins and James Harp shot at each other in the Oriental saloon at Roswell last week. The saloon furniture was wrecked but no one hurt. Must be poor shots down at Roswell.

Last week at Roswell Deputy Marshal Will Rainbolt arrested Geo. McElroy for carrying concealed weapons. Later they met in the Pankey saloon and a general shooting affair followed, which was participated in by Geo. McElroy, Joe McElroy, his brother, and Deputy Rainbolt. Joe McElroy was shot three times, Geo. McElroy several times and Rainbolt was cut on the face, arms and chest. No fatalities.

ALBUQUERQUE.

Miss Thackara, teacher in the Indian school at Fort Defiance, is in the city for a short visit.

Judge W. C. Hancock will leave for Mare Island, in San Francisco bay, in a few days to join the navy.

Mrs. L. A. Collins, Congregational mission teacher at Cubero, passed through this city Tuesday night, en route to Chicago, where she will spend the summer.

Captain A. H. Loith, of Chihuahua, Mexico, came up from the south Wednesday night, and after spending Thursday in this city, went to Golden, to look over some mining property in southern Santa Fe county.

Mrs. S. W. Fancher and daughter, Miss Beatrice, have returned from Jimulco, Mexico, where they were called by the death of Mrs. Fancher's daughter, Mrs. James Gibson.

Probate Judge F. A. Hubbell has received intelligence of the death of his brother-in-law, J. M. Garcia, which occurred in St. Johns, A. T., Wednesday morning. The deceased was well known in this city.

O. P. Posey, general manager of the Coehlti Gold Mining company at Bland, is in the city looking after the interests of his company in the injunction suit restraining the use of the water in Peralta canon. Should the temporary injunction be made permanent all mining operations in the district will be suspended, as the Peralta canon is the only available water supply in the Coehlti district. The temporary injunction was issued upon the complaint of George Osterander, who set forth that he had several acres of land under cultivation, which would be damaged if the waters in the canon were used for mining purposes.

LAS VEGAS.

Gregorio Garcia, of Concepcion, has made a homestead filing in the district clerk's office, on 160 acres of land at Los Canonicos.

A petition has been filed in the Probate court asking that an administrator be appointed to care for a \$24 pension check held in the postoffice department belonging to Petra Chacon, who died a few days ago.

On Wednesday morning Luis Madrid and Juanita Chavez were married by Father Deford. A reception was held at the home of Manuel Silva after the marriage ceremony.

The stone masons have completed the laying of the bed rock stone for the new plaza park fence, and are at work on the laying of the center red sand stone and coping. They expect to have the fence finished in about two weeks.

COLFAX COUNTY.

The Raton band will give a ball May 19.

Rev. S. C. Dorse died in Raton last week.

A home guard is being organized at Raton.

Mrs. J. Leahy, of Raton, is visiting relatives in Chicago.

Mrs. R. Daniels, of El Paso, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Al West, at Raton.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Watson, of Raton, have a new boy at their home.

The Catholic cemetery at Raton is being beautified and the roads graded.

A. T. Hill, of Chicago, is a new engineer on the Raton division of the Santa Fe.

John Morrow has purchased the McCullough property on Second street, Raton.

Eight machinists from the Santa Fe shops at Topeka have reported for duty at Raton.

Pat Moriarty has returned from the Las Vegas hospital to Raton fully recovered in health.

Joseph Farrell, of Mexico, is visiting his sisters, Mrs. J. Klein and Mrs. G. Groves at Raton.

Mrs. Robert Sizer, who has been visiting in Florida some months, has returned to her home in Raton.

Mrs. George Connell, of Raton, is home from a two months' visit to her parents in California.

Mrs. A. H. Officer has returned to her home at Raton after a two months' visit with relatives in Indianapolis.

The Santa Fe pay checks at Raton this month will be largely increased on account of the fruit and cattle runs.

Canon & Kearney, of Denver, have purchased the sawmill and general store of Chas. F. Lamb, in Coal canon for \$15,000.

Mrs. E. M. Bonifis, of Denver, wife of Associate Editor Bonifis, of the Post, is visiting her daughters in Raton. Mesdames Lockard and Walker.

Brakemen Fitzgerald, Brown, Woodard, Snook, Connolly and Johnson, successfully passed examinations for promotion to conductors at Raton last week.

Six empty box cars got loose from the Raton yards last week and ran down to Maxwell City, where they were sidetracked. Luckily, there were no trains on that piece of track at the time.

SAN JUAN COUNTY.

J. L. Vance is building a new house at Blooming.

J. A. Palmer will put in a meat market at Aztec.

Mrs. Della Allen will build a new residence at Aztec.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Connor at Aztec last week.

Miss Maud Waring, of Aztec, is visiting friends in Farmington.

Charles Baker and Tilda Blaneett were married at Aztec last week.

James Bryant will occupy the McCoy house at Aztec in the future.

John Morgan is building a four-room brick cottage in Farmington.

Mrs. C. V. Safford and children have moved from Durango to Aztec.

An heir was born to Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Bollinger at Bloomfield last week.

Joe Stonebarger and Minnie Stratton were married at Flora Vista last week.

Dr. E. G. Condit and family have moved into the Kountz residence at Aztec.

Colonel Schuyler Smith has set out 1,000 choice grape vines on his Fruitland place.

Grass is growing nicely and the range about Westwater is in fine shape to run stock on.

Chas. Holly has placed a new ferry boat on the San Juan at the Faucett crossing.

John A. Palmer will build a store room at Aztec and occupy it with a butcher shop.

H. O. Willis, of Farmington, has gone to Espanola, where he will work for Biggs & Pollard.

Payton Skidmore, wife and daughter, of Osborn, Kas., have moved to the Graham ranch near Aztec.

Lee Hobbs and wife, of La Plata, have gone to Sheep Springs, Colo. They will conduct a dairy at that place.

C. E. Stivers, wife and son, of Farmington, have gone to Los Angeles, where they will reside in the future.

W. H. Watkins, of Cedar Hill, sold his cattle to Mr. Tiner, of Aztec, last week, receiving \$35 per head therefor.

John C. Hubbard has taken out letters of administration on the estate of his brother, Amos Hubbard, deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Haynes, of Aztec, have gone to Grand Junction, Colo., where they will spend the summer.

The board of trustees of the Aztec Presbyterian church have asked the board of church erection for \$200 to aid in building a parsonage.

Oscar Johnson, C. Hudson, Sam Lowden, Lew Barnett, Perry Hayden and Ralph Warren were in Farmington last week looking over local conditions with a view of locating there.

J. L. Nickell and Henry Peck, of Durango, have received the contract for carrying the mail over the Durango-Farmington route. They will do a passenger business in connection.

Professor H. H. Griffin, formerly superintendent of the agricultural experimental station at Aztec, has gone to Rocky Ford, Colo., where he will have a position with the experimental station.

Rain, rain, more rain! It has been years since there has been so much rain at this season of the year, the ground is thoroughly soaked and the unusual precipitation at this time will be of incalculable benefit to this community.—San Juan Times.

EDDY COUNTY.

The public school of Eddy closed Friday, May 6.

M. Phillips and W. K. Staleup, of Eddy, have moved to Alamogordo.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gray, of Rio Vista, have a new daughter at their home.

Ira Wetmore and Maggie Bennett were married at Weed, Sunday, May 8.

W. Kathel, a beet sugar machinery engineer and machinist expert, from New York City, visited the Eddy plant last week.

W. R. Anderson, a Black River stockman, has purchased the McLanthen residence at Eddy, and will reside there in the future.

Ask your doctor how many preparations of cod-liver oil there are.

He will answer, "Hundreds of them." Ask him which is the best. He will reply, "Scott's Emulsion."

Then see that this is the one you obtain. It contains the purest cod-liver oil, free from unpleasant odor and taste. You also get the hyphosphites and glycerine.

All three are blended into one grand healing and nourishing remedy.

50c. and \$1.00, all druggists.

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Travelers.

It affords me pleasure to notify you that a through sleeping car line has been established between Colorado Springs and St. Louis, Rock Island-Wabash, the short line between these points.

Four sleeper will leave Colorado Springs, daily at 2:45 p. m., and arrive at St. Louis the next day at 6:15 p. m. This trip through Missouri, one of the most interesting states in the Union, will be in daytime; the unattractive portion of Kansas will be traversed during the night.

C. H. HAMPTON, Commercial Agent, 1035 17th Street, Denver.

The American Navy, Cuba and Hawaii.

A portfolio, in ten parts, 16 views in each part, of the finest half-tone pictures of the American navy, Cuba and Hawaii, has just been issued by a Chicago publishing house.

The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway has made arrangements for a special edition for the benefit of its patrons, and a specimen copy can be seen at the local ticket office. Single parts may be had at 10 cents each, the full set, 160 pictures, costs but \$1. Subscriptions for the set may be left with the agent. In view of the present excitement regarding Cuba these pictures are very timely. Call at the ticket office and see them.

SOCIETIES.

Montezuma Lodge No. 1, A. F. & M. Regular communication first Monday in each month at Masonic Hall at 7:30 p. m. F. S. DAVIS, W. M. J. B. BRADY, Secretary.

Santa Fe Chapter No. 1, R. A. M. Regular convocation second Monday in each month at Masonic Hall at 7:30 p. m. JAMES B. BRADY, H. P. ARTHUR SELIGMAN, Secretary.

Santa Fe Commandery No. 1, R. T. Regular convocation fourth Monday in each month at Masonic Hall at 7:30 p. m. MAX FROST, E. C. ADDISON WALKER, Recorder.

I. O. O. F.

PARADISE LODGE No. 2, I. O. O. F., meets every Thursday evening at Odd Fellows' hall. H. W. STEVENS, Recording Secretary.

CENTENNIAL ENCAMPMENT No. 3, I. O. O. F. Regular communication the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at Odd Fellows' hall; visiting patriots welcome. THOS. A. GOODWIN, E. C. A. F. EASLEY, Scribe.

MYRTLE REBEKAH LODGE, No. 9, I. O. O. F. Regular meeting first and third Tuesday of each month at Odd Fellows' hall. Visiting brothers and sisters welcome. TRUESDALE NEWELL, Noble Grand. HATTIE WAGNER, Secretary.

AZLAN LODGE No. 3, I. O. O. F., meets every Friday evening at Odd Fellows' hall. San Francisco street. Visiting brothers welcome. R. E. GOLDBERG, N. G. A. F. EASLEY, Secretary.

K. O. F. P. SANTA FE LODGE No. 2, K. O. F. P. Regular meeting every Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock at Casino hall. Visiting knights given a cordial welcome. ROBERT H. BOWLER, Chancellor Commander. LEE MUEHLSTEIN, K. of R. and S.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

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To accommodate the public will carry freight and passengers on its construction trains to and from the end of its track, commencing April 15.

Trains leave El Paso at 1 p. m. and returning leave end of track at 7:30 p. m., making connection with stages to Alamogordo, La Luz and Tularosa.

A. S. GRIFFIN, General Superintendent.

Cheap Rate to Indian Pueblo.

At any time a party of five or more desires to visit the San Ildefonso Indian pueblo, a rate of one fare for the round trip will be made to the Rio Grande station.

Tickets limited to date of sale and one ticket to cover entire party.

T. J. HELM, General Agent, R. G. & S. F. F. R.

THE SEVENTH Beet Sugar factory in the United States was erected at Eddy, New Mexico, in 1896, and made its first "campaign," beginning November 16th, 1896, and closing February 15th, 1897.

THE CONTENT OF "SUGAR in the beet" of the crop grown in the Eddy and Roswell sections of the valley has proven to be more uniformly high than any other part of the United States.

FORTUNATELY the land is blessed with just the fertility to produce high grade beets, and

MORE FORTUNATELY the Pecos Irrigation and Improvement Co. and the Roswell Land and Water Co. have an irrigation system of great magnitude, covering a vast body of the BEST SUGAR BEET lands on earth. The water is applied to the crop WHEN NEEDED.

THE SUN SHINES more hours in the day and more days in the year in Eddy and Chaves counties, New Mexico, than in any other section